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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA IN UN: UK VOTING PLANS FOR SECURITY
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1. ON OCTOBER 17, TESSA SOLESBY, ACTING HEAD OF FCO
UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT TOLD US THAT HMG IS CURRENTLY
AGONIZING ABOUT VOTING IN SC ON SOUTH AFRICAN EXPULSION.
QUESTION AT ISSUE IS WHETHER TO VETO OR ABSTAIN IF QUES-
TION AS PUT TO SC INVOLVES ONLY EXPULSION. SOLESBY IM-
PLIED THAT HMG IS LEANING SLIGHTLY TOWARD ABSTENSION.
SHE SAID THAT SHE ASSUMES THAT UK WOULD EXERCISE VETO IF
QUESTION AS FINALLY PUT INVOLVES SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH
AFRICA.

2. EMBASSY COMMENT: SOLESBY MADE THESE COMMENTS IN
ANSWER TO OUR GENERAL QUESTION ON HOW THINGS GOING IN
UNGA. SHE SAID SOUTH AFRICA IS NUMBER ONE UN PROBLEM AT
MOMENT. ENTIRE EXCHANGE TOOK PLACE IN CONTEXT OF DEMARCHE
BY US ON COMPLETELY DIFFERENT SUBJECT.

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